

HAMILTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
JULY 10, 2006

The Hamilton County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, July 10, 2006 in the Commissioners Courtroom in the Hamilton County Government and Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana. The Commissioners met in Executive Session in Conference Room 1A at 1:00 p.m. President Holt called the Public Session to order at 1:50 p.m. and declared a quorum present of Commissioner Christine Altman and Commissioner Steven A. Holt. Commissioner Steven C. Dillinger was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Altman motioned to approve the minutes of June 26, 2006. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Altman motioned to approve the minutes of June 30, 2006. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session Memoranda

Altman motioned to approve the Executive Session Memoranda of June 30, 2006 and July 10, 2006. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

ERA Abatements Agreement [1:52:00]

Ms. Robin Ward, Noblesville Township Assessor, requested approval of an agreement with Nexus Group to review and calculate the ERA (Economic Revitalization Area) Personal Property Abatements for Noblesville Township. Altman asked if all of the townships will have similar needs? Ward stated right now Noblesville has four (4) abatements, there are a total of 14 in the county. Next year she will have an additional five (5) real estate abatements which will file personal property abatements. Altman asked Ward to check with the Township Assessor Association if it would be advantageous for everyone to go under a master contract? Ward stated this has been discussed and the other townships will also be requesting approval of a contract with Nexus. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Highway Business [1:55:00]

Acceptance of Bonds/Letters of Credit - Highway Department

Mr. Joel Thurman requested the acceptance of Bonds and Letters of Credit for the highway department. 1) HCHD #B-03-0049 - Western Surety Company Continuation Certificate of Annual Permit Bond No. 43170814 issued on behalf of S&W Sewer & Water, Inc. to now expire May 21, 2007. 2) HCHD #B-03-0082 - Western Surety Company Continuation Certificate of Permit Bond #14509296 issued on behalf of Valenti-Held Contractor/Developer, Inc. to now expire July 24, 2007. 3) HCHD #B-04-0071 - Merchants Bonding Company Continuation Certificate of Permit Bond No. IN 12790 issued on behalf of Central Christian Church of Carmel Indiana, Inc. to now expire June 21, 2007. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Agreements/Supplements

Inspection Agreement

Bridge #210, Edenhall Lane over Kirkendall Creek

Thurman requested approval of Inspection Agreement, HCHD #A-06-0004, for Bridge #210, Edenhall Lane over Kirkendall Creek in Noble West Subdivision between Hamilton County, Hazel Dell, LLC (Developer) and USI Consultants, Inc. (Engineer) in the amount of \$10,000. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Utility Agreement

Bridge #119, 191st Street over Stony Creek

Thurman requested approval of Utility Agreement with AT&T for Bridge #119, 191st Street Rehabilitation Project. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Concurrence with Traffic Study Correspondence

Thurman requested approval of the list of correspondence concerning investigations of requests for signage on Hamilton County roads. 1) Andrea L. Hern regarding speed humps and “Child at Play” Signs on Combs Avenue south of 106th Street in Clay Township. 2) John Coonrod regarding Bakers Corner Town Signs at 236th Street entering Bakers Corner in Adams Township. Altman asked if a pedestrian facility includes a multi-use path? Mr. Chris Burt stated in the Speed Hump Policy when it mentions pedestrian facilities it lists shopping centers, parks, etc. A multi-use path is extended area along a street which is a different type of situation. The Monon Trail would be considered a pedestrian facility but he would not consider the multi-use path north of 106th Street as a pedestrian facility. It has to be taken on a case by case basis. Altman suggested we look at that as we have more multi-use paths. Altman would also like the highway department’s definition as to what you consider a pedestrian facility for this purpose and why it should not be considered. Altman motioned to approve the correspondence. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Request to Advertise

Small Structure #31046, Eagletown Road over Symons Ditch

Thurman requested permission to advertise for bids for Small Structure #31046, Eagletown Road over Symons Ditch in Adams Township. Bids will be received August 14, 2006. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Commissioners signed the title sheet for this project.

Correspondence

Anthony Road Proposed Road Closure

Thurman requested permission to close Anthony Road between 216th Street and 226th Street beginning on or after Monday, July 24, 2006 for a period of 90 calendar days for replacement of Bridge #105. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

MPO Technical Committee

Mr. Brad Davis stated the MPO Technical Committee is looking at traffic impacts at various locations on the alternate routes and different technologies for the RTO. Currently they are going to engage a consulting firm that has a specialized software that can model different scenarios at different locations. The thought is to have them look at a swath between 82nd Street and 116th Street and look at the impacts in that corridor as well as all of the technologies. They will also look at specific intersections such as Binford and Kessler Boulevard and 62nd and Allisonville Road as the different routes would affect traffic at these intersections. They are also going to look at two possible station sites, one at Glendale and one at the Fishers Train Station. Altman asked when they look at the three technologies - light rail, and bus rapid transit that would not necessarily have bridging, would they recommend a bridge in certain intersections or just look at the impact? Davis stated they will look at both. Holt asked if they are thinking of a Keystone corridor, why would they not put the station in Carmel instead of Glendale? Altman stated it won’t hit Keystone until Keystone at the Crossing. Holt asked why not put it at 82nd Street? Davis stated there are multiple stations, they only picked two that they thought had a high probability of having a station to analyze. There will be multiple stops.

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146th Street Restrictions

Davis stated there will be restrictions on 146th Street tonight for paving approaches to the bridges.

INDOT Presentation

Davis stated the presentation from INDOT on the I-69 interim projects is Tuesday, July 11th at 1:00 p.m. in the Fishers Council Chambers.

Public Hearing

Ordinance 6-26-06-A, Vacation of Right of Way - Mill Farm Road

Mr. Scott Strubel requested approval of the Vacation of Right of Way at 88 Mill Farm Road, Noblesville, Indiana. Mr. Thurman stated the request has been investigated by the highway department. Holt opened the Public Hearing. No comments were heard. Holt closed the Public Hearing. Altman motioned to approve Ordinance 6-26-06-A, An Ordinance Vacating Right of Way Roadway in Hamilton County. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff [2:09:19]

Juvenile Services Center Change Order

Captain Jeff Marcum stated the change order from James Babcock is for the deletion of the X-Ray Scanner at the front entrance of the Juvenile Services Center. They do not allow anything be brought into the center. They ask people to leave all of their articles in the car or they have lockers inside the front door after they have been checked by the scanner. The X-Ray Scanner is large and will take up more space as well as take more people to operate, than what we have. Altman clarified there will be nothing to scan? Marcum stated correct. Altman motioned to approve the change order. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Part-Time Employees

Major Mark Bowen stated Sheriff Carter has requested an extension of the Personnel Policies regarding Part-time Sheriff's employees until January 1, 2007. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Assistant [2:11:38]

Additional Appropriation

Mr. Fred Swift stated an additional appropriation request is needed for land acquisition of the Manse property to the south and the bank property to the north. The estimated cost is \$730,000. This money will come from the COIT Capital Fund - #276. Altman asked if it can come from the Cumulative Courthouse Fund? Mills stated she does not think we have enough money in that fund. Altman motioned to advertise for the additional from both funds. Altman asked if there is any money to construct the improvements? Swift stated this is strictly for land acquisition, not improvements. Altman stated we need to increase the number to include the improvements so we have money to proceed. Swift stated the opinion from the Council has been expressed that they would go up to \$1 million for parking. The \$730,000 does not include the McMillan property, which will push the amount to \$1 million or more. Holt stated regardless we are not going to level buildings and not pave. Holt seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Weights and Measures

Swift stated the proposed position for Weights and Measures for 2007 has been reviewed and received favorable approval from the Personnel Committee. This position needs a motion of approval from the Commissioners. Altman stated she has not had a chance to read the job description and asked that this be held.

Safety Risk Management Position

Swift requested signature on Form 144 approving the salary of the Safety Risk Management Position. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Association of Counties Annual Meeting

Swift will handle the reservations for the Association of Counties (AIC) Annual Meeting being held September 18-20, 2006.

City of Noblesville Sister Event

Swift stated the Commissioners have been invited to a Sister City event from the City of Noblesville. Swift will handle the RSVP.

Refrigerator

Swift stated the refrigerator in the Auditor's office needs to be replaced. Swift stated there is money available in the Commissioners furniture line item and asked permission to purchase the refrigerator. Altman and Holt agreed.

NACo Prescription Drug Program

Mr. Kent Ward presented information on the NACo Prescription Drug Discount Card Program. Altman motioned to have Mr. Ward take this information to the Insurance Committee. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PrimeLife Enrichment 2007 Funding Agreement

Ms. Sandy Stewart requested approval of the 2007 Agreement for Funding for PrimeLife Enrichment in the amount of \$150,000. Altman motioned to approve subject to Council appropriation. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Holt asked Stewart if they are working with Janus regarding county transportation? Stewart stated right now they are mutually referring clients. They have had conversations about working together for county wide transportation.

Humane Society Budget [2:30:33]

Ms. Lynn Coverdale and Ms. Rebecca Stevens presented an overview of the Humane Society's current animal intake, release and budget numbers.

Projected strays in 2006 - 2,561 and 2,850 in 2007. These numbers do not include owner release.

Average strays per month - 192.

Current county payments are based on 155 strays per month. As part of the new contract the county has requested they accept owner releases. These numbers do not reflect owner release.

YTD the Humane Society has received \$113,750 per the county contract. (Based on \$157.44 per animal)

YTD based on the current contract we would have \$159,250. Due to the increase of stray animals they would like to use the new average of 192 animals per month at \$157.44 per animal to begin August 1, 2006. There is a

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shortage per animal by actual costs being \$189.18 per animal and the received amount of \$157.44 per animal. They are requesting the Humane Society receive the difference in the amounts from January 1, 2006 to May 31, 2006 of \$52,346. They also requested additional funding for the remainder of the year based on the new animal average in the amount of \$310,392 at the \$157.44 per animal cost. Coverdale reviewed the cost per animal calculation with a new average cost per animal of \$186.25.

Altman stated you included euthanasia and disposal costs for each animal at \$20 per animal? Stevens stated that is based on a template from the county as a fixed cost across the board. Altman stated you are treating the euthanasia unit costs as a trade off for your continuing care of the animal? Stevens stated yes.

Altman stated looking at the number of animal days - you are caring for over 68 animal days. The county, even if we took responsibility for all of the strays at \$32,081. If you say all the animals that come in times 7 days would account for 22,967 animal days. If you allocate your total animal days based upon what the county should be responsible for we would only be utilizing only 33.4% of the facility for our animals. Going through the computations giving the humane society the shots, fixed per animal costs, we are still less than \$420,300 for the county's share of your operations. She included utilities, labor and administration costs. Coverdale stated in the \$37,025 the only costs included are vaccination, micro-chip and Revolution. Food and kitty litter is not included in that amount. The cost of processing the animal when it arrives is what is included in the cost. Altman stated she would like to find a formula that we could go forward with and asked them to contact her when they do the calculations as Altman requested.

Altman stated for the 2007 Budget we advertised the \$480,000 number, so we have time to look at it. Altman stated when she was on county council she looked at the cost per animal she never considered a cap for appropriation purposes, she always presumed it was cost per animal coming through the door. Altman asked if they interpret the \$293,000 as a cap for 2006? Stevens stated it has been her understanding that there is a cap of \$293,000 and it has been that way for the last three years. Altman stated her understanding of the contract is that we would calculate on per animal coming in and at that point it is just strays, the county bills the jurisdictions. Holt asked Stevens to invoice the county and keep us advised on where we are headed. Stevens asked if the invoice should be for the actual difference? Holt stated actual animals. Altman stated actual animals coming in and then we can look at it and go back to the contract. Altman stated she never anticipated a total cap other than the appropriation. Stevens clarified - they will invoice the county for the actual number of animals in 2006. Altman stated that have come through as stray releases and make sure we have the information that we can pass through to the entities. Altman stated everyone has to pay their fair share of what they are picking up and dropping off. We then can look at the formula of taking in every animal for seven days.

CISCO Network Statement of Work

Ms. B.J. Casali requested signatures on the Statement of Work with Berbee for the Cisco Network Infrastructure Installation.

Indiana Fiber Works Amendment No. 1

Casali requested approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Indiana Fiber Works agreement for the connections between Westfield Fire Station #82 and the Hamilton County Parks Administration Building and the Westfield fiber ring at 161st Street. Westfield is donating their fiber ring. Total cost is \$84,791. The county will pay \$50,000 and Westfield will pay \$34,791. Altman motioned to approve the contract as adjusted. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New World Software Redundancy

Casali stated there have been issues with the New World redundancy. New World vacated their promise to provide redundancy. The general consensus is to use Double Take/GeoCluster software as recommended by New World. The UASI grant will be paying for the software. Two vendors have been contacted from the State QPA. CDW-G is the lesser in costs of \$23,275 for two servers, one at the county and the other in Carmel. This amount will reduce the amount the county owes New World. Casali requested approval of the Purchase Order. Altman motioned to approve the P.O. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Lifescan Interface to New World

Casali requested approval of the Purchase Order to NEC Corporation of America in the amount of \$4,444. The State has provided the Lifescan software to the Sheriff's Department. The funding will be paid from the CAD portion of the UASI Grant. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorder's Office Software

Casali requested permission to advertise for new software for the Recorder's office. The costs will come out of the Recorder's Perpetual Fund. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Window Washing Contract Renewal [3:10]

Mr. Scott Warner requested approval of the renewal of the Window Washing Contract for 2006-2007 in the amount of \$15,588. Altman asked if he is incorporated? Warner stated he is insured, he is not sure if he is incorporated. The Commissioners asked Warner to confirm the contractor carries worker's compensation. Altman motioned to allow the contract. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Extinguisher and Cooking Hood Inspection Renewal

Warner requested approval of the annual contract with Grunau Company for the inspection of fire extinguishers and cooking hoods. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Safety Risk Manager

Ms. Sheena Randall introduced Ross Klippel as the new Safety Risk Manager.

Humane Society Continued

Ms. Rebecca Stevens stated if they invoiced for January thru May 2006 for the actual number of strays which were 915, with the county paying the contract amount of \$157.44, totaling \$144,057. The actual payment from the county is \$113,750, the difference would be a shortage of \$30,308. Holt stated the number on the information today lists 804 stray animals. Stevens stated they extrapolated out thru May. The actual on the statistics submitted to the county for payment is 915 stray animals. Holt stated that is 10% off of what you gave the commissioners. Stevens stated what was presented today is under estimated. The actual amount was invoiced. Payments from the county have been \$113,750. Stevens stated they receive \$22,750 per month. Altman stated the intent was to reconcile at the end of the year, just as the paramedic contract was. Stevens stated at the end of the year, if we are over we get a \$20,000 bump. That is why we get a fixed amount of \$22,750 for a total of \$273,000 and we always get the bump which totals \$293,000 which is the net cap. Mills stated the entities are billed monthly. The county is advancing the money.

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Altman stated we pay the amount monthly, once we receive the humane society invoice we bill the entities and they pay the county. Holt stated if we are sending bills out for the actual and we are only paying the estimated animals on a monthly basis, we should be getting more money back on a monthly basis than we are paying out on a monthly basis. Hypothetically that no dog is out of the county jurisdiction, they are all from Fishers, Carmel and Noblesville. We send the bill out for 915 strays, none of them lived in Hamilton un-incorporated. We will be reimbursed for that amount verses the number we are paying the humane society for. Thru May, if they have billed us for 900 dogs and we are only compensating them based on 804 dogs. Altman asked thru May how many animals did we pay you for? Coverdale took the \$113,750 divided by 804 would be \$141.48. Altman stated if we get billed for the actual number and start paying a monthly or quarterly reconciliation we will be ok. Coverdale clarified stray and owner release? Altman stated just stray, that is all we have for the 2006 contract. We will then look at stray and owner release if we get comfortable with that number. Altman stated she is not sure how the cap was put in and she does not think it is equitable and it was no ones intent other than from an appropriation standpoint.

Auditor [3:21:02]

2007 Statement of Salaries

Ms. Robin Mills presented the 2007 Statement of Salaries (Form 144). Altman motioned to accept the estimated 144's for 2007. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Contract

Mills requested approval of the Bovine Brucellosis and Tuberculosis Eradication Contract with the Indiana State Board of Animal Health for 2007. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Juvenile Services Center

Certificate of Substantial Completion - Harco Asphalt

Mills requested approval of the Certificate of Substantial Completion for Harco Asphalt at the Juvenile Services Center. Altman asked if the final coat has been put on? Major Bowen will check in to it. Altman motioned to table.

Capital Asset Notification Form

Mills requested approval of the Capital Asset Notification Form for the new truck for the Health Department/HHW. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Acceptance of Bonds/Letters of Credit - Drainage Board

Mills requested acceptance of Bonds and Letters of Credit for the drainage board. 1) HCDB2006-00036 - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062435 for Laurel Ridge storm sewers - \$321,042.00. 2) HCDB2006-00036A - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062435 for Laurel Ridge storm sewers - \$321,042.00. (Rider adding Laurel Ridge LLC to the Surety). 3) HCDB2006-00037 - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062437 for Laurel Ridge erosion control - \$51,483.00. 4) HCDB2006-00037A - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062437 for Laurel Ridge erosion control - \$51,483.00 (Rider adding Laurel Ridge LLC to the Surety). 5) HCDB2006-00038 - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062436 for Laurel Ridge monumentation - \$2,940.00. 6) HCDB2006-00038A - North American Speciality Insurance Company Performance Bond No. 2062436 for Laurel Ridge monumentation - \$2,940.00 (Rider adding Laurel Ridge LLC to the Surety). Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Payroll Claims

Mills requested approval of Payroll Claims for the period of June 19-July 2, 2006 paid July 14, 2006. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Vendor Claims

Mills requested approval of the Vendor Claims to be paid July 11, 2006. Altman motioned to approve. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Altman motioned to adjourn. Holt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Correspondence

Notice of Public Hearing:

Stenz Management Corporation - Noblesville

IDEM Notice of Sewer Permit Application:

Promenade of Noblesville, Section 1 - Noblesville

IDEM Notice of Sanitary Sewer Construction Permit Application:

Noble West Medical Office Building - Noblesville

Present

Christine Altman, Commissioner

Steven A. Holt, Commissioner

Robin M. Mills, Auditor

Kim Rauch, Administrative Assistant to Auditor

Fred Swift, Administrative Assistant to Commissioners

Michael A. Howard, Attorney

Darren Murphy, Attorney

Mark Bowen, Sheriff's Department

Brad Davis, Highway Director

Joel Thurman, Interim Highway Engineer

Virginia Hughes, Administrative Assistant to Highway Engineer

Amber Emery, Highway Public Service Representative

Mike McBride, Highway Technical Engineer

Christopher Burt, Highway Staff Engineer

Tim Knapp, Highway Right-of-Way Specialist

Joel Thurman, Highway Project Engineer

Matt Knight, Highway Staff Engineer

Faraz Kahn, Highway Department

Kathy Howard, Highway Department

Bob Davis, Highway Superintendent

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Patti Smith, BLN
Becki Wise, USI
Floyd Burroughs, FEBA
Robin Ward, Noblesville Township Assessor
Rebecca Stevens, Hamilton County Humane Society
Lynn Coverdale, Hamilton County Humane Society
Sheena Randall, Human Resources Director
Ross Klippel, Safety Risk Manager
B.J. Casali, ISSD Manager
Scott Warner, Building and Grounds
Arvin Copeland, EMA
Kent Ward, Surveyor
Jeff Marcum, Sheriff’s Department
Dan Stevens, Sheriff’s Department

APPROVED
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ATTEST:

Robin M. Mills, Auditor